

AL-V-A-023 Old Log House
Old Rt. 40
Eckhart (Clarysville vicinity), Allegany Co. MD
Not Eligible

Modern materials such as aluminum siding and 1/1 windows have substantially altered this one-story three-bay log house. The original chimney is gone. This house was probably built by the Consolidation Coal Company c. 1840. Since it has lost most original features it is recommended as not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

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Eligibility Recommended _____	Eligibility Not Recommended <u>X</u>
Criteria: ___A___ ___B___ <u>X</u> C___ ___D___ Considerations: ___A___ ___B___ ___C___ ___D___ ___E___ ___F___ ___G___ None	
Comments: _____	
Reviewer, OPS: <u>[Signature]</u>	Date: <u>6/7/00</u>
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View of Old Log House (Al-V-23).

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Old Log House
Eckhart

c. 1840

The Old Log House was built between 1830 and 1850 by the Consolidation Coal Company. This crude log house, which has since been covered with asbestos shingles, was one of the first houses built by the coal company and provided miners with inexpensive and adequate housing. The house is a one and a half story, three bay wide structure with a small one story wing in the rear of the building. It is reminiscent of the 18th century "salt boxes" of New England.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Old Log House

AND/OR COMMON

Michaels' Log House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Old Rt. 40 , Near Intersection of Main Street; Eckhart

CITY, TOWN

Eckhart

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Allegany

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES RESTRICTED
☐ YES UNRESTRICTED
☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Earl T. Michaels

Telephone #: 689-8978

STREET & NUMBER

Rt. # 2 Box 720 Old Rt. 40

CITY, TOWN

Frostburg

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21532

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Allegany County Courthouse

Liber #: 440

Folio #: 376

STREET & NUMBER

30 Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Cumberland

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

ALVA-023

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Michael's old log house is located along old Route 40 in Eckhart, Allegany County, on the South side of the road near the intersection of Main Street.

The house consists of a one and a half story, three bay wide square shaped facade. A small one story wing, with shed roof abuts the principal facade on the rear southern side. The building originally was a log structure which was supported by a low stone foundation; however the logs have since been covered with asbestos shingles. The roof of the house is gabled and is covered with replaced asphalt materials. Windows in the structure include double hung wooden sash frames with one-over-one lights and plain trim. The main entrance is placed on the front, northern face and features the original, horizontally paneled door. A front entrance porch, without a hood, leads to the entrance and the porch is a new addition as evidenced by the cement block foundation. One corbeled brick chimney, which appears to be original, is located to the interior of the structure.

The log house is structurally sound, but the original appearance has been somewhat altered by the asbestos siding and porch addition.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD**AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW**

<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1830-1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Michael's old log house was built between 1830 and 1850 by the Consolidation Coal Company. The crude log house was one of the first houses built by the coal company and provided miners with inexpensive and adequate housing. A variety of styles were used in the construction of these houses; materials used included stone, or log, or weatherboard frame houses.

The Michaels house is in fair condition and is a cultural reminder of the coal mining past of Allegany County.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Allegany County Land Records, Cumberland, Maryland

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY Less than one acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

South side of Old Rt. 40, Near intersection of Main Street; Eckhart
Approx. Lines North & South 148', Lines East & West 47'

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John E. Nelson, Program Coordinator of All. Co. Historic Sites

ORGANIZATION

Allegany County Historic Sites Survey

DATE

5/25/76

STREET & NUMBER

10 Park Lane

TELEPHONE

689-8486

CITY OR TOWN

Frostburg

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

INVENTORY NO. A1-V-A-023

Liber-446

DATE: 5/20/76

Folio - 376

47' x 148'

REMODELING: Drastic, moderate, minorNAME OF PROPERTY: Michael's Old Log HouseLOCATION OF PROPERTY: Old Rt. 40, Near Intersection of Main St.DIRECTION DWELLING FACES: NorthNAME OF OWNER: Earl T. Michaels 689-8978ADDRESS: Rt #2 Box 72CFrostburg, Maryland 21532

1 1/2 STORIES: 1(✓) 2() 3() 4() 5() 6() BAYS: 1() 2() 3(✓) 4() 5() 6() 7() ()

WINGS, ADDITIONS: Rear Wing - With Shed RoofDwelling Shape: (square), cross, rectangular)

WALL CONSTRUCTION:

- () FRAME: Bevel, clapboard, weatherboard, wood shingles, board & batten (type?)
() BRICK: Bond type- common, English, Flemish. Sketch variants.
() STONE: Bond type- rubble, ashlar (random or regular), quoins-plain, rusticated
(✓) LOG
(✓) Other: Coverings Aluminium Siding

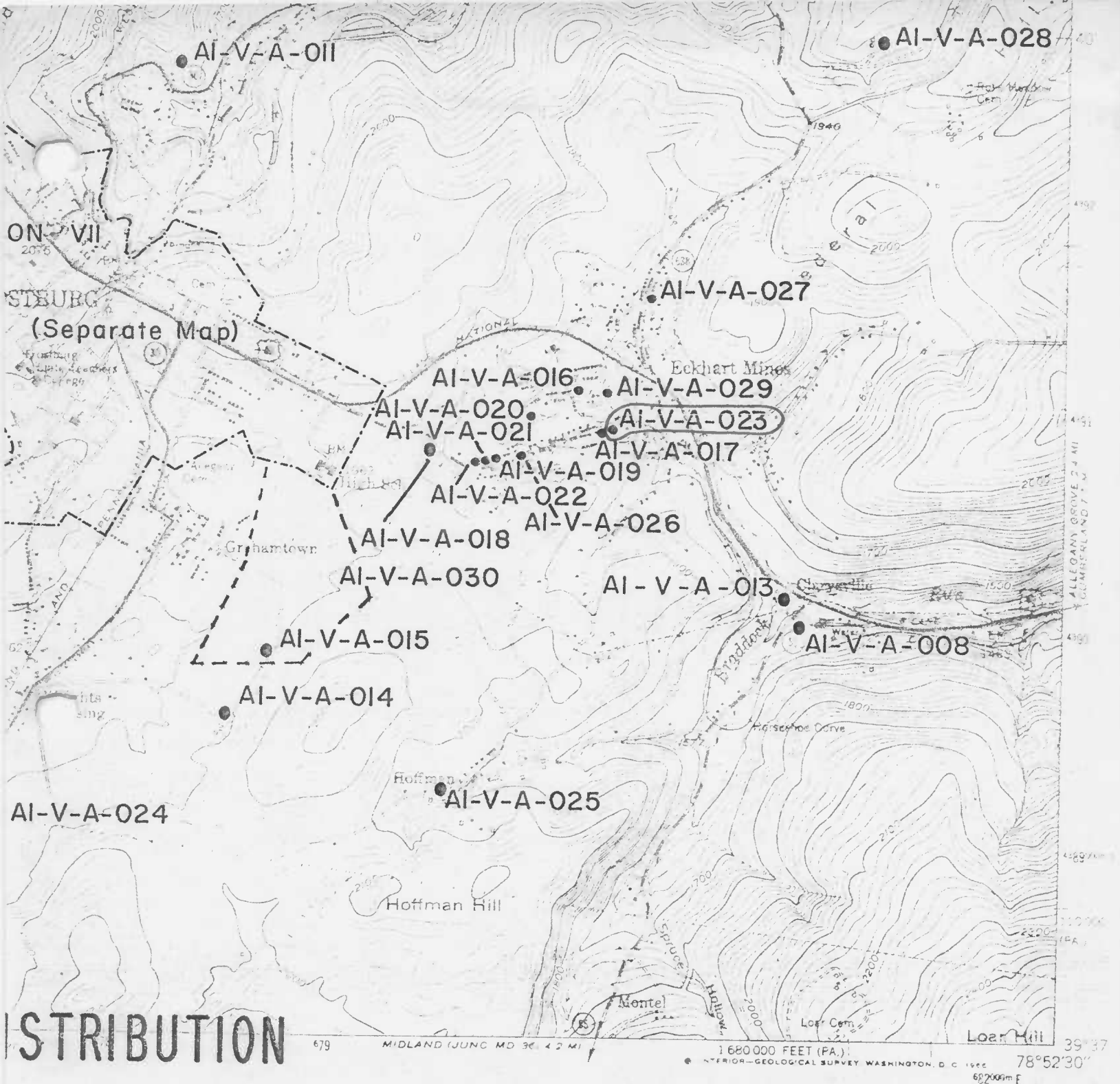
WALL FEATURES: BELT COURSE, PILASTERS, OTHERS PlainFOUNDATIONS: HIGH, LOW, BRICK, STONEWATER TABLE: NONE, PLAIN, BEVELED, MOULDED BRICKWINDOWS, TRIM, SHUTTERS: 1/1(✓) 2/2() 6/6() 9/6() 9/9() other()
Plain Trim pegged() nailed() wide() narrow() mitred() pediment()ENTRANCE, DOORS: LOCATION: North
HARDWARE: original(✓) replaced()
FAN LIGHT, TRANSOM, SIDE LIGHTS, PLAIN
Paneled, Verticle, Horizontal Boards 4 Light WindowCORNICE, BARGE, EAVES: (crown, fascia, soffit, bed)
original() replaced() Rafter Ends, Modillions, Dentils, Frieze, ArchitraveROOF: GABLE FRONT, GABLE FLANK, HIP, SHED, DANSARD, GAMBREL, FLAT, DORMERS #
MATERIAL: wood shingles, slate, tin, asphalt original() replaced(✓)

PORCHES: SHAPE OF ROOF - shed() hip() gable()

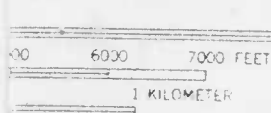
CHIMNEYS: NUMBER 1 BRICK(✓) STONE() CORBELLED(✓) original(✓) replaced()
LOCATION: Flush end() Inside end() Outside end() Central() Interior (✓)ARCHES: Door and window: Keystone, Flat, Segmental, Semicircular

COMMENTS:

Use - Residence
Significance - Arch
Date Constructed -
Condition - Fair



DISTRIBUTION



• = SITE LOCATION

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 Michael's Log House
 Old Rt. 40 - Eckhart

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy duty ——— 4 LANE 16 LANE
 Medium duty ——— 4 LANE 16 LANE
 Light duty ———
 Unimproved dirt ———

U. S. Route State Route

FROSTBURG, MD-PA.
 NW/4 FROSTBURG 15' QUADRANGLE
 N3937.5-W7852.5/7 5

STANDARDS
 STON, D. C. 20242
 AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

USGS - Frostburg Quad

1:24,000

1949

1949

AMS 5263 III NW-SERIES V835



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AT V-A-023

Old Rt. 40

Eckhart

John E. Nelson

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Southeast



Michael's Log House

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Old Rt. 40

Eckhart

John E. Nelson

5/20/76

Northwest